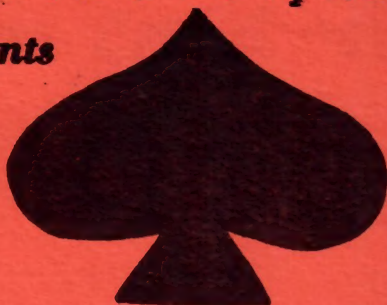
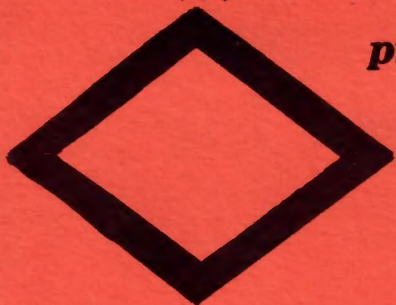


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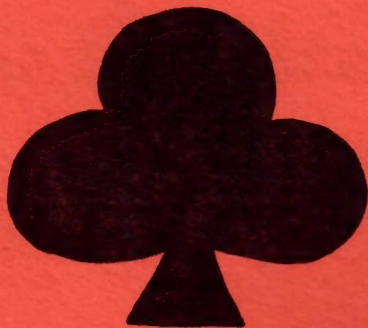
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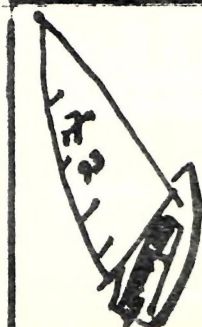
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Directed by Win Firman

CAST

(In Order of Appearance)

Speed	Al Baruch
Murray	Ivan Debel
Roy	Bill Herdes
Vinnie	Ed Joseph
Oscar Madison	Geoffrey Hickson
Felix Ungar	Ralph Salerno
Gwendolyn Pigeon	Penny Lockwood
Cecily Pigeon	Barbara Fisher

SCENES

An apartment on Riverside Drive, New York City

ACT I

A hot summer night

ACT II

Scene 1: Two weeks later. About 11 P.M.

Scene 2: A few days later. About 8 P.M.

ACT III

The next evening. About 7:30 P.M.

THE STAFF

Assistant to the Director Linda Ives

Producers Maddie & Jack O'Connell

Set Design George Wiley

Set Construction Jack O'Connell,
Tom Bridges, Ted Murray,
Tony Herrmann, Thornton Stearns

Set Artwork Naomi Chesler

Set Painting Eleanor Lee, Norma Berman,
Ruthann Walker, ~~Lynn Chesler~~,
Vicky Chesler, Gloria Mapes

Set Dressing Lois Keating, ~~Blanche~~ Canning,
Kathy Stern

Lighting Design . . Kevin Hickson, Bill Reinhardt

Lighting Crew . . . Bill Reinhardt, Bee Hickson,
Paul Berberich, Mike Bernstein

Stage Managers . . . Anita Camerik & Elaine Herdes

Props Caroline & Tom Bridges

Make Up Judi Hickson, Eileen Hickson,
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Costumes Betty Davenport

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and the New York State Theater Festival Association.

THE DIRECTOR

Win Firman joined the Play Troupe twelve years ago playing one of the leads in "Tea House of the August Moon". Subsequently, he appeared in such plays as "Romanoff and Juliet" and as the king in "Sleeping Beauty", (both children's plays) as well as acting at various times as stage manager and producer and directing two readings.

Since his father was in the Play Troupe and his daughter is a member, Mr. Firman is another of the "Three Generation" Play Troupers.

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THE CAST

GEOFFREY HICKSON (Oscar Madison) is a member of the third generation of Hicksons currently active in the Play Troupe -- and he is married to the former Judith Tangerman (another long time Play Troupe family).

Mr. Hickson has appeared in "Six Characters in Search of An Author", "The Marowitz Hamlet", "Man For All Seasons", and Leonard Melfi's "Birdbath", which represented the Play Troupe in the New York State Invitionals in 1970. He has appeared in Fairfield University and Polka Dot Players of Norwalk productions and as Banquo in "Macbeth", sponsored by the Yale School of Drama. He won the Best Actor Award for his portrayal of the Barber in the C.W.Post College production of "The Good Woman of Setzuan".

RALPH T. SALERNO (Felix Ungar) started acting at the age of fifteen. A friend, Sheila MacCrae, introduced him to the famed Mill Pond Playhouse in Roslyn, N.Y. Ralph appeared in a U.S. Army production of "Brother Rat" and, after completing military service, continued his acting career with eight successful years of summer stock.

Local residents will remember him from the Town Dock Theatre. His Play Troupe credits are: Ben, in "Look Homeward Angel"; the Telephone Repairman in "Barefoot in The Park"; Oscar in "The Best Man". Ralph directed "Middle of The Night" and "The Wizard of Oz" two seasons ago. He boasts proudly that his greatest reward was directing the smash hit "Hansel and Gretel" presented in March at the Main St. School.

IVAN DEBEL (Murray) claims he was born in an alley behind the Princess Theater in Pocatello, Idaho and has spent the declining years of his life wishing he were some one else. Hence, he has credited himself with starring (well, maybe not starring) roles in productions of "Milk and Honey", "Of Thee I Sing", "Fiddler on The Roof", "My Fair Lady", and "Guys and Dolls". His role as Murray the Cop marks his second appearance in "The Odd Couple". His first, for another group, was as Roy the Accountant. However, it was felt that he took his role too seriously since the production went unaccountably bankrupt after two weeks of S.R.O.

AL BARUCH (Speed) came to Play Troupe with over twenty years of community theater activity with such groups as Pasadena (Calif.) Playhouse and Jackson Hts. (NY) Salon Players. He recently appeared in the local Cancer Care show "The Red Stocking Revue". As a Play Trouper, Mr. Baruch appeared as the Ghost in "The Marowitz Hamlet" and was stage manager for "Middle of The Night".

BILL HERDES (Roy) was last seen by local audiences as the Leading Man in the company of players in "Six Characters in Search of An Author". His acting credits for Play Troupe include the son-in-law in "Middle of The Night", "The Wizard of Oz", and "Mr. Poppers Penguins". He has also been a valuable member of several back-stage production crews.

ED JOSEPH (Vinnie) is making his debut with the Play Troupe in this role. He has previously been seen in the Drama Society production of "Stalag 17" and, in the recent Masonic production (Queens, NY) of "The Drama of Hiram" in which he appeared in the lead roles of King Solomon and King Hiram.

PENNY LOCKWOOD (Gwendolyn Pigeon) returns to us after an absence of several years spent abroad. In the past, she appeared as the Wicked Witch of the West in the "Wizard of Oz", Queen Guinevere in "Connecticut Yankee" and Nanny in "Sleeping Beauty". She also appeared in the former Town Dock Theatre production of "Pagan in The Parlor".

BARBARA FISHER (Cécily Pigeon) last appeared for Play Troupe as Corie in "Barefoot in The Park". Before coming to New York she played roles in California summer stock including Nellie Forbush in "South Pacific" (Carol Burnett was in the chorus!) A Lead in the film "One Way Ticket to Hell" lead to screen tests at 20th Century Fox and Paramount Pictures and TV roles including appearance on the "Medic" series and on the Martin and Lewis Comedy Hour.

After moving to New York she did production work on the Eddie Fisher, Dinah Shore and Gordon MacCrae TV shows as well as being associate producer of Lester Wolff's "Between The Lines" television program.

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